

REMARKS

Claims 1-9, 11 and 19-24 remain in this application. Claim 21 has been amended to place it in proper form for allowance, but is not narrowed thereby. By these amendments, no new matter has been added.

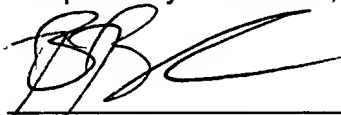
At the outset, the Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of Claims 1-9, 11, and 19-20, and the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 21-24.

The Examiner rejected Claims 21-24 as being indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph. In particular, the Examiner stated that Claim 21 did not recite a method step. Claim 21 has been amended to clearly recite a method step. These rejections are therefore moot, and should be withdrawn.

To the extent that it would be helpful to placing this application in condition for allowance, the Applicant encourages the Examiner to contact the undersigned counsel and conduct a telephonic interview.

While the Applicant believes that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any shortage in the fees, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-0639.

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